

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1885.
HOME NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAIN FARE SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:
MAIL.
Going South: 8:45 A. M. and 8:35 P. M.
Going North: 8:45 A. M. and 6:35 P. M.

Persons not subscribers who may at any time receive copies of the Press, will please understand that they are sent simply as samples, in the hope that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscriptions.

We send out this week sample copies of our paper to certain persons who took the DAILY FREE PRESS, but are not on the list of the Weekly, hoping they may like it well enough to subscribe.

A CERTAIN CLASS of delinquent subscribers will please notice this. We have a few on our list who owe for a full year or over, as they will see by the statements we sent them last week inclosed in their respective papers. We have now to say, that unless they promptly pay at least a part of their indebtedness the paper will be very soon discontinued to them. Money is again reasonably plenty, and there is no excuse for further delay in making settlement. We cannot and will not carry a non-paying class of subscribers.

For Sale.
A choice lot in Coffield's addition to San Marcos. Inquire at this office.

Cash paid for cotton at HINZ'S.
New lot of cooking-stoves at HINZ'S.
Car of White Swan Flour, lowest price at Wm. GIEREN, Agt.
Highest price paid for cotton at M. HINZ'S.
Something new in ribbons, at DAILY & BOW'S.

Fresh groceries are being received daily at HINZ'S.

Just received, a car load of produce at Jas. Taylor & Bros.

Fresh California grapes at Borins, west side square.

Carload of produce just received at HINZ'S.

Nice baskets in variety, just received at the Bookstore.

Giesen has bought already 1000 bales of cotton and leads the market in price.

Fresh Lot of Sugar-cured hams at JAMES TAYLOR & BROS.

Giesen expects a car of fancy apples and other produce in a few days.

WARRANTY DEEDS for sale at the FREE PRESS office.

Daily arrivals of staple and fancy groceries at GIEREN'S.

Evaporated apples, the best and cheapest in the market at MANTON HINZ'S.

To arrive, Carload of Salt, 20 barrels of sugar and a full line of Groceries generally, at MANTON HINZ'S.

A new line of Tips, Feathers, Birds and Wings, at DAILY & BOW'S.

Just received, a fresh lot of lard, bacon and hams, at M. HINZ'S.

Fresh Kruit, Pickles, Apples, Grapes, Honey, etc., at Jas. Taylor & Bros.

Trunk and clothing department up stairs, in splendid variety.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Picture frames, in velvet and bronze, all new styles, very elegant at the Bookstore.

Remember the old established house of Martin Hinz is first class headquarters for family groceries of all kinds.

For Sale.
House and lot in San Marcos. House of four rooms besides kitchen. Good well of water. Inquire at FREE PRESS office.

The first Cranberries of the season now at Jas. Taylor & Bros., ordered expressly for dainty fever patients. Sure cure.

New Markets from \$5 to \$15; Misses Wraps, job lot, \$3 to \$4; the everything for school. Also School Lunch fancy work Baskets, in splendid assortment.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

We are now in full stock of all seasonable goods, new and desirable styles. Price lower than ever. Give us a call.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Those parlor suits of J. W. Nance & Co., surpass in elegance and quality, anything heretofore brought to this market.

One of the largest and best selected stock of ladies and gents fine shoes ever brought to San Marcos, is now on exhibition at the popular house of Green & Price.

Flour! Flour!
Hardy & Co. have just received a carload of Satin patent and Fancy Ribbon flour, which they will sell as low as the lowest.

To the Ladies.
Cloaks, Jerseys, Hoops, Hosiery, Corsets, etc., in every style, at Green & Price.

A splendid line of Newmarkets. Russian Circulars, Wraps and Hamlets, just out at DAILY & BOW'S.

Wanted.
A nice good sized "shant," will come one of our former friends please accommodate us.

When you want to buy anything in the dry goods, notions, boots, shoes, hats, clothing or gent's furnishing goods. Remember Green & Price have only one Price.

Three for One Dollar.
Bailey's artistic and elegantly finished views of San Marcos scenery for sale at the Bookstore and Reynolds & Daniel's Drugstore. \$24 4w

Is the Supper, which all the well bred Partake of before going down to bed; And S is the steak and nothing can spoil it. With lots of our Charter Oak line coals to broil it.

In their bed, rosy red, ruddy radiance they shed.
THEO. HERRING, Agt.,
San Marcos, Texas.

For Sale.
My residence in San Marcos, consisting of two large lots with improvements. The whole will be sold together, or the lots separately, to suit purchasers.

Opening of Our Public Schools.

We took a bird's-eye view of the schools in the school building on the hill soon after the opening on Monday. The opening was notably successful. There was an attendance of 127 the first day. At this writing we learn it has reached 140, with many yet to hear from. The number not unlikely may reach near 200. And yet some people have assumed to say that we had not the material for an independent public school!

And here let us notice another great mistake, viz: the too generally accepted notion that the house is a poor one. Any impartial, intelligent person has only to visit it to have this illusion effectually dispelled. A partition has been run in the main building, so that the whole now presents three handsome and very comfortable rooms, sufficient to accommodate 40 pupils each. The rooms are admirably well lighted and ventilated, and each is well provided with warming facilities. In short, the building is decidedly in advance of a majority of those of its class. Prof. Williams expressed himself as being satisfied with it, and stated that with some additions, it would probably meet the needs of the town for several years to come. And thus vanishes another bug-bear of which we have heard so much, that it will be necessary for our people at once to tax themselves to build a school house.

On our visit we found Miss Laura Wilcox occupying the front room with a bright array of girl pupils, Prof. Williams, the Superintendent, in the next room with "the boys," and Mrs. Mosher in charge of the "smaller fry" in the third room. This week will be pretty much taken up in the arduous work of properly classifying the school, and the services of Mrs. Mosher have been drawn on to aid in that work. We trust, if she will accept, that she may find a permanent position in the school.

Mrs. Duncan's branch of the school is in the Bascom Lyell house, as stated in our last, and we are told another room is in view should the increased attendance require it.

A Commendable Movement.

We are pleased to learn that Music Rooms will be erected forthwith near the public school building and furnished with instruments at which pupils attending the public schools or others, will be taught music by Misses Sallie Richardson and Janie Poole, both proficient in that department. Miss Richardson having filled acceptably and most creditably to herself a position in the music department of Central Institute during the last session.

All arrangements will be made and work commenced on Monday, October 19th. Persons wishing to patronize this enterprise will confer a favor by making the fact known to the parties interested with as little delay as possible.

We are especially pleased with this movement, because it will supplement and render more complete the educational facilities connected with the public schools, and thus render them more self-dependent and acceptable.

See the grand advertising pronouncement of Green & Price.

We still hear of some new cases of doggie.

See advertisement of the Volkfest at San Antonio in our columns. It will no doubt be "a jolly-good time."

The stanza at the end of the obituary of Miss Mattie A. Leavell in our last should have been in quotation marks, being from a poem by Mrs. Hemans.

Saturday night Marshal Prince was attacked by roughs and stoned, sustaining injuries which have confined him to his bed for several days. We are glad to learn how ever that he is now able to be about again.

The hoodlums have taken advantage of Capt. Prince's prostration to make night hideous with unearthly yells and occasional pistol shots. They ought to be promptly corralled and fined to the full extent of the law.

In less than six years the editor of the FREE PRESS will be back in "Indiana" running a rank racket show, among Southern people and accusing the people of Hays county of "running him out." Mark our prediction!—KYLE NEWS.

Don't trouble yourself about our future, but take care that you are not serving out a term in the penitentiary long before that time.

"There is talk of a paper mill at San Antonio—a thing, says the Colorado Citizen, which ought to have been accomplished somewhere in Texas years ago. Any quantity of the best paper stock can be had in Texas and the three hundred newspapers of the State can use the product of more than one large paper mill," is the opinion of the Brenham Banner.

All very much to the point, only San Marcos is unquestionably the place for it.

Rev. H. S. Thrall is writing for the Advocate a series of interesting reminiscences of his early ministerial work in Texas. By the way, we believe he is a genuine Yankee, by birth, and came to Texas from Ohio at a very early day. In one of his letters occurs the following rather touching bit of domestic romance:

Our circuit extended to the coast, and in my journal I find notices of having presided at St. Joseph's Island and Matagorda Peninsula. At Fort Lavaca I presided at a later when sent to that western circuit again Mrs. West gave me a kind reception, and the same blessed woman how presides over the communion and culinary department of my household, a position she has filled admirably for a third of a century.

I Am Agent For
McCormick self binder, Mowers etc,
Jackson wagons
Deer plows
Cassidy sulky plows
Standard cultivators
Bookwalter hay rakes
Wheeler Thrashers
and other machinery and farm implements for which I solicit orders, guaranteeing lowest prices and best terms.

Wm. GIEREN.
TRUNKS! TRUNKS! TRUNKS!
We are now in receipt of trunk of every description suitable for our trade. Trunks for girls, boys, men and women, at prices that defy competition.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

PERSONAL.

Judge Wood is again absent in the upper part of the State.

Oscar Hutchison leaves to-day to attend school in Virginia.

Vanlandingham, the blind man, has returned to this place.

There is a grand ball and supper at Martindale to-night.

Albert Dock is book-keeper at Johnson & Johnson's.

Mr. Smith, of the Blanco News, made us a pleasant call this week.

Mr. Hutchins, sr., of Austin, spent Sunday here.

Maj. Moon came in on yesterday morning. He says the dengue has not yet reached the mountains.

Mr. Malone, agent for Crane's Life of Houston, was in town this week delivering the work to subscribers.

We learn incidentally that Mr. L. W. Mitchell and family have arrived safely at their destination, Los Angeles, Cal.

Lewis McKay left for San Antonio the fore part of the week. He takes the position of corresponding clerk for Frost & Bro.

The painting of Mayor Gieson's dwelling is completed and it is "as pretty as a picture." Prof. Reese, the artist, has done himself much credit.

Mr. D. A. Glover returned a few days since from a trip to New York via Tennessee. He says there have been some profane rimes in that section of the South.

Dee and Allie, sons of A. C. Butler, picked on the first inst. on the farm of Col. Herndon 1000 pounds of cotton, and Eddie, a younger brother, picked 400 pounds. Good work for boys.

Assessor Fortson, and Rev. Mr. Arnold have gone to Lampasas to attend the Baptist convention in session at that place, consequently there was no service at the Baptist church Sunday.

Mr. J. G. Burleson, our county and district clerk was taken down with the dengue fever a day or two ago. Col. Herndon and Jas. K. Stewart, his assistant have charge of the office in the meantime.

We should have noted last week the return of our friend L. Powers from his sojourn at the North. He is looking well, had a pleasant time, but is glad to get back to San Marcos.

Rev. Mr. Harris preached an excellent sermon at the Methodist church on Sunday from the text "Let your light so shine," etc. It was delivered with impressive earnestness andunction, and was a good sample of the sort of preaching demanded by the times.

We failed to mention last week the accident to James A. Dixon by which he had his right hand terribly cut in Billingsley gin and made a very narrow escape from losing his whole arm. We are glad that no serious consequences are likely to result.

We find one of the poems of Bessie Smith, "The Valley of Shadow," copied from our columns into two of our exchanges this week, viz: the Blanco News and Centinel (Ind.) Leader. The latter forgot to credit the FREE PRESS.

Apocryph of our notice of banana trees a week or two since, we made a big oversight in forgetting the one in the garden of our friend Dan Hofheinz. This is now bearing. It is worth seeing and will be a great curiosity to many.

Mr. Ed. Mackin, the carpenter is erecting on his lot adjoining the Chautauque grounds on the west, a neat residence for his family. He will have a grand view from his place, embracing many miles of the prettiest landscape on the globe.

We regret very much to learn, as we do from the Fort Worth Gazette, of the death of Miss Millie, oldest daughter of C. W. McGeehe, formerly of this place, now of Weatherford. She is well remembered here as a very bright little girl. She was just ready to leave for college when taken sick.

Miss Mary Caldwell has gone to Nashville Tennessee to enter Ward's Seminary. Misses Alice and Fannie Denton, former residents of this place, are attending the same institution. By the way, we have been informed in not stating sooner, that Miss Mattie Hutchins, daughter of Capt. J. V. Hutchins, has been for a month past at Augusta Institute, at Staunton, Va.

Jackson Barnett, a freedman, residing on Mr. Malone's place, writes us under date of the 3d that he had killed a rattlesnake having 13 rattles and 6 buttons, and which he thus estimates as being 19 years old. On the evening of the same day he killed another which by the same reckoning was 19 years old. The largest one was 5 feet 6 inches long and about 6 inches around. Jackson says he has killed ten snakes this year.

The meeting at the Baptist church to organize a local "Students' Union" was fairly attended. Prof. J. E. Pritchett presided. Committees were appointed to look after the preliminary business of the Union and the following list of members enrolled:

Rev. J. B. French, Rev. B. Harris, C. W. Mann, Geo. T. McGeehe, Victor Julian, Lennie Holland, J. M. Killough, Sterling Fisher, Claude J. W. S. Bowland, J. H. Coombe, E. L. Thomas, M. B. Hook, A. G. Dugger, J. W. Pritchett, Jas. Storey, C. M. Hull; Mrs. French, Mrs. Mosher, Mrs. G. T. McGeehe, Mrs. Dugger, Mrs. Haynie and Misses Laura Wilcox, Carrie Franklin, Sallie Richardson, Rabie Fourqueman, Nellie Haynes, Annie McGeehe, Sidna Koss, Lena McGeehe, Katie McGeehe and Miss Rickett.

The next meeting will be held in the Presbyterian church Friday evening, Oct. 15.

Last Thursday about half past one p. m., a pistol shot was heard on the plaza and men were observed congregating from all directions on the southeast corner of the square. On inquiry it was ascertained that the shot was fired from a pistol in the hands of Mr. Manlove or rather, in the hands of Mr. Manlove and Mr. B. F. Blount, the latter sitting the muzzle of the same deflecting its aim. The ball ranged parallel with the side wall ranging toward at an angle of about 42 degrees and lodging in the window shutter of the barber shop.

The young man at the store on the corner was standing in front of the projecting show case at the time, within a few inches of the course of the ball, and made a narrow escape.

The difficulty between Messrs. Manlove and Blount, we understood, originated in a business transaction wherein Manlove claimed to have been insulted by the latter. While fortunately, no loss of life occurred, still we, in common with all law abiding citizens, regret the affair, as such performances are not calculated to add to the reputation of our town.

First cranberries of the season at Jas. Taylor & Bros.

See notice of Hon. J. F. Miller of examination for Naval Academy.

Cranberries will cure the dengue fever. Jas. Taylor & Bros. have just received a fresh lot, which they ordered expressly for those who have the dengue fever.

CLOTHING.
We call special attention to the people of San Marcos and surrounding country, to our large and well selected stock of men and boys clothing, same having been bought under personal inspection at very low prices. We guarantee satisfaction in price as well as quality. Call and examine.

GREEN & PRICE.

FOR SALE cheap, a copy of the "Southern Review," an excellent magazine of Southern literature and science.

Our New York letter will attract general personal.

To arrive, carload produce, H. F. Blount & Co.

Saturday last was a "field day" in the business of our town.

If you want a bargain in groceries go to Blount & Co., south side plaza.

The San Marcos Hotel has been thoroughly repaired, renovated and refurnished and will be occupied on Monday next by Mr. H. T. M'Larry, who announces that he will run it in first class style. Success to his enterprise.

The Cresset, which started out by protesting against the idea that it would specially favor the saloon interest, is already coming freely to their defence. This is as it should be—we like to see people and things "all under their true colors." The saloon men, like him they serve, will not be satisfied with any half way service. Neighbor, prepare to go the whole figure.

As to your queries addressed to us, they were all completely answered in editorials in our last, so we need not answer again.

Thursday afternoon one of our most deserving merchants narrowly escaped with his life in a personal altercation. And Saturday night our most efficient city marshal was assaulted and now lies pillow propped in bed suffering from the effects of blows on his neck and back, and the shock of the discharge of a pistol in his very teeth. Personal grievances, however aggravated, cannot be sufficient excuse for the public parade of the hip pocket ornament; much less can it excuse one's discharge at a fellow being.

We take pleasure in copying and endorsing the above from our neighbor of the Cresset.

The October Century.
In the October Century, the space commonly taken up with the War Series has been devoted to articles and illustrations interesting to the general and important way to the life and services of Gen. Grant. Gen. Horace Porter, who was near to General Grant both in military and civil life, contributes a forcible anecdotal paper on "Lincoln and Grant," including stories which were told by one or the other in their intercourse. General James H. Wilson gives entertaining "Reminiscences of Gen. Grant," relating chiefly to his Western career; and General Adam Badeau with entire knowledge and freshness of detail, of the "Last days of General Grant." The latter paper is illustrated with two most interesting portraits, from old daguerotypes of General Grant as lieutenant, and as captain. Two other portraits are after photographs which were taken during his last campaign. There are besides of his birth place and of his headquarters at City Point. Gen. W. Eldridge answers a passage in General Badeau's sketch of General Grant's career, in which mention is made of Charles Sumner.

Among other illustrated articles in the October, are Lieut. Schatzka's second, and concluding paper on his explorations in Alaska, etc.

A portrait of the late Samuel Bowles, a famous editor of the "Springfield Republican," is the frontispiece of the number. His career is described by George B. Merriam, in a paper entitled "A study in Independent Journalism."

Science Hall.
SCIENCE HALL, Oct. 3rd, 1885.

ED. FREE PRESS:—The farmers of this neighborhood are getting their crops out rapidly.

Mrs. C. D. Porter and Mrs. H. B. Porter have gone to Brown county, where Mrs. Lula Jones, a relative and formerly one of our noblest young ladies has recently died; all her former acquaintances regret her demise very much.

A few of the residents of this community got up an ice cream festival at this place to make up money for a donation to the church at Dupre, which is in debt. It came off last night and we can truly say that it was one of the most enjoyable affairs that we have had in this neighborhood for some time, and we must congratulate the young ladies engaged in it for their efficient service. The proceeds amounted to about \$50. When women take hold of an enterprise it always succeeds.

Your efficient Martindale correspondent surely didn't read my piece correctly when speaking of "woman's rights." I did not say that she should have "equal political privileges with man." I only advocated "woman's suffrage." To put her on the same basis as man in the political world I say too would be corruption of her sphere, but she should have a right to say who shall make laws by which she is to be governed. Our constitution declares her a citizen just the same as man, and no one class of citizens should deprive another of their rights and immunities. He asks, "would it be right to create an evil to suppress an evil?" If woman's mind is too imbecile to judge aright why do you allow the negro or Mexican to vote, who are far inferior to woman? It is just the same as to say that he had rather risk the welfare of our nation in the hands of a lot of ignoramus who are incapable of voting intelligently, than in the hands of the most refined and cultured citizens (women) that we have. Our officers represent the character of the majority of our voters, (although there are exceptions to this rule), and generally the majority are of an inferior character. And which would be the better, to be ruled by evil as we are now, or permit woman to vote and let honesty be the ruling element. He speaks exclusively of intemperance. My friend, intemperance is not the only evil we have to suppress. More anon.

Legal Card.
W. D. Wood, Sterling Fisher and Owen Ford have associated themselves together for the practice of law in civil matters in Hays county, Texas. Office in Wood's new building, up stairs, San Marcos. Oct. 25-ly.

To the Travelling Public.
OFFICE OF ST. LEONARD HOTEL, MAIN PLAZA, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, 1884.

Editor San Marcos FREE PRESS:
As I desire to make "The St. Leonard Hotel" a popular resort for stockmen, where they may enjoy all the substantial comforts of a first-class hotel, I have reduced my rates to correspond with the times, to

\$1 50 and \$2 per day and will be glad to see yourself and friends whenever you come to town, and will be on hand to attend to your comfort and make your stay agreeable.

Dr. L. A. Trelor, formerly of the "Central," having associated himself with me, will be found in charge of the office, and ready to receive any of his friends who may favor us with a call.

Cars and stages pass the door.

Yours respectfully,
PHILIP F. LOUNGBERRY, Proprietor.

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Where a large assortment of my Crystalized spectacles and eye-glasses may be seen, and properly adapted to all conditions of the eye. Peddlers or travelling agents will not be supplied with these spectacles at any price.

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HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR COUNTRY PRODUCE.

H. Hardy & Co., will be found near the Southeast Corner of the Public Square, SAN MARCOS. jun29 3m

Our church directory was corrected this week.

Our school shoes are made for us, and every pair warranted. DAILY & BOW.

The largest and finest assortment of diamonds, watches and jewelry in the state of Texas at 274 Commerce St. San Antonio.

We desire a good local correspondent at every postoffice in this and adjoining counties. A copy of the paper will be sent free to suitable parties who will act in its interest.

The mats for cabinet pictures just received by Chapman, will create a sensation. They are very tasteful and elegant, of different styles, yet cheap, ranging in price from 25 cts. to 75 cts.

Wanted
To buy a horse without blemish, well broken, or a colt not under three years old unbroken. Any one willing to sell one cheap, please inquire at Goodspeed's Restaurant.

Chapman, the photographer, Combs building, continues to turn out very fine pictures. Some of his latest appear to us better, in possible, than his former efforts. Among his new ones we notice a large one of Dr. DuBois.

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